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Application No. : 10/781,913  
Applicant : Thilo Rusche, et al.  
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Docket No. : 2500.0002C (INP0005-US)  
Title : Dual Use Counters for Routing Loops and Spam Detection

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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING**  
**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed May 28, 2008 and the Advisory Action mailed September 30, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

A petition for a one month extension of time is being filed herewith. Any additional fee necessary for consideration of this response is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 05-0460.

**Amendments to the Specification:** None.

**Amendments to the Claims:** reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks:** begin on page 6 of this paper.